

WJZ-TV
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Station WJZ-TV, licensed to CBS Television Licenses LLC, is responsive to the principal issues in its community of license, Baltimore, Maryland on a continuing basis. A variety of program elements, including regularly scheduled news and public affairs programming, reports on breaking news events, documentaries, specials, and public service announcements of concern to the community are included within our regular programming service. WJZ-TV's coverage of news stories, our employees' participation in community affairs, and regular interviews with community leaders have led to the determination that the issues listed are ones of importance to the Baltimore community. Our most significant programming, which dealt with current community issues during the preceding three-month period, are set forth in this report. WJZ-TV broadcasts both locally-produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, WJZ-TV also broadcasts several network broadcasts including FACE THE NATION, 60 MINUTES, CBS REPORTS and 48 HOURS.

PROGRAM INDEX

CONSUMER WATCH

WJZ reporters cover consumer interest topics. These reports air in the 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

HEALTHWATCH

WJZ's reporters discuss health issues and interview experts and patients to deliver information on the latest advances in health for our 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

SPECIAL REPORTS

Locally produced special reports, focusing on community issues, local lifestyle trends and local personality profiles. These air in the 4pm, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm newscasts.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS OUTREACH

Relevant projects launched by community organizations to benefit area residents.

ON TIME

A half-hour, Sunday morning public affairs program that airs at 6:30AM, focusing on leaders, issues and events, affecting the Baltimore community.

ECONOMY & JOBS

EYEWITNESS NEWS

July 2: The massive storm dealt a big blow to hundreds of Baltimore area businesses... but for others whose power stayed on, it was money in the bank.

July 3: Maryland's largest casino is pulling in big revenue and it hasn't even been open for a month.

July 4: It's been almost a month since Maryland's largest casino opened its doors in Arundel Mills... now jackpot winners aren't the only ones raking in the cash.

July 5: Positive signs for the Towson Town Center Mall... More new stores are set to open their doors.

July 5: Another first for the airline industry. It's not a fee or a surcharge... it's a choice. Tonight more on how the new Meet and Seat program works.

July 7: Water is a good way to quench your thirst in our record breaking heat but how about using it to make some cash. That's what one Anne Arundel Councilman wants to do with that county's award winning water.

July 9: It's catching drivers by surprise. The price at the pump is on the way up again and Triple A predicts we've seen the last of lower gas prices.

July 10: Auto giant GM is touting the fact that most of its manufacturing plants no longer send trash to landfills. They have 100 such facilities and one of the first was in White Marsh.

July 13: It's a unique shop in Fells Point and it's been a success for nearly forty years. Tonight, the brass facts on a Baltimore business that has customers here and all over the world.

July 15: New concerns tonight over the Chesapeake Bay crab population. Environmentalists worry that regulations to protect female crabs are causing a sperm shortage from the males.

July 17: The heat combined with a lack of rain is causing serious problems for some Maryland growers. Dry conditions are now gripping much of the state.

July 19: Water conservation is urged for much of the area tonight and a temporary water system is finally in place on Light Street... but lawmakers are alarmed over what could happen next.

July 19: The deadline for automatic cuts to the Department of Defense and other agencies is rapidly approaching... and that means Maryland jobs are at stake.

July 20: Maryland lost 11,000 jobs in June according to the US Department of Labor - that's the fourth straight month of employment declines.

July 20: Buses in Ocean City are getting an upgrade thanks to a 2 million dollar grant from the US Department of Transportation.

July 21: It's one of the nation's fastest growing airports... now BWI Thurgood Marshall gets a multi-million dollar grant to expand.

July 23: The US Department of Transportation awards the city of Baltimore \$40 million to build a new bus transit facility, creating hundreds of jobs.

July 23: After some welcome relief at the gas pump, prices are once again headed in the wrong direction... tonight, what to expect as we move deeper into the summer.

July 24: Forget the slow economy, Marylanders are still spending big to play the lottery. The state lottery recorded 1.8 billion dollars in sales last year.

July 24: There are growing calls across the country and right here in Maryland to raise the minimum wage. Today struggling families take on politicians deadlocked in a debate over how to fix the economy.

July 25: Millions of tax dollars going up in smoke. The Maryland Comptroller's office is cracking down on cigarette smuggling and getting results.

July 26: Dozens of angry protesters are rallying outside the Hyatt downtown. They're upset the hotel chain recently reduced the number of people it employs.

July 26: A popular destination for foodies is coming to Howard County. Whole Foods will open its first store there and many residents expect it to be a big boost for the area.

July 27: Hundreds of pink slips are being handed out in Western Maryland as Unilever ends production at a Hagerstown plant.

July 27: Fresh off harsh criticism from their Derecho storm response, BGE is seeking rate increases for electricity and natural gas distribution.

July 28: Drought conditions are taking their toll. With corn and other crops withering and dying in the heat, food prices are expected to shoot up.

July 29: You may be digging a little deeper into your pocket... BGE is talking price increases.

July 30: Customers annoyed by BGE's response to storm related power outages are not happy to hear that BGE is asking for a rate increase. Still, BGE is making its case on the need to upgrade its equipment.

July 31: One month after the unprecedented derecho storm that left hundreds of thousands without power, BGE releases its formal report to state regulators on how they handled the situation.

August 1: Early next Monday, the largest most advanced rover in NASA's history will land on Mars... and a critical piece of the machine was built here in Maryland.

August 2: The president declares a major disaster area for parts of Maryland hard hit by the derecho storm at the end of June, meaning federal money is available for repairs.

August 3: Damages from June's derecho storm cost Maryland more than 19 million dollars... now the federal government is stepping in to help.

August 4: Get ready to eat up Baltimore. Restaurant Week will not end tomorrow as planned.

August 5: A scam is targeting two big local names... BGE and Catholic Charities. Tonight, what you should do to make sure you're not a victim.

August 6: Maryland's Hollywood Casino is returning one-third of its slot machines to the state because of declining revenues.

August 7: A number of Maryland streams are drying up this summer. Right now a new drought warning is in effect for a large part of the state.

August 8: Back to school shopping is kicking into high gear and just in time, Maryland is giving families a break with tax-free shopping.

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August 11: Fluctuating gas prices have car makers racing to add fuel saving technology to vehicles. Triple-A is offering advice about one new device called "Stop Start."

August 12: Get ready to save... today tax free week kicked off in Maryland. From shoes to clothes, people are taking advantage of the bargains.

August 13: If you're in the mood to do some shopping, this is the week to hit your favorite store as tax free week is underway.

August 14: While there were plenty of fans in the stands at last year's Grand Prix, some nearby attractions and businesses saw fewer customers. This year there's a fresh effort to get fans into the city for the race.

August 15: It's not every day you have a chance to get some free gas, but it happened this morning in Pikesville.

August 16: A judge approves a winning bid in the auctioning off of RG Steel in Sparrows Point. It's a bleak development that may just hold a glimmer of hope.

August 17: More disappointing news for the local job market. The Labor Department says Maryland's unemployment rate for July rose to 7 percent.

August 18: Earlier this year, it appeared gas prices were heading to record lows. Now a recent spike has Maryland motorists wondering how high they might climb.

August 20: Steel mill operations halted at Sparrows Point. Now as union officials desperately try to save jobs, workers discover they're losing their benefits.

August 22: Baltimore city courthouse workers take to the streets protesting what they call filthy and deplorable working conditions inside the building.

August 24: The push is on to deliver relief to nearly 2000 Marylanders losing their jobs at Sparrows Point now that the steel mill owner has filed for bankruptcy.

August 27: The Grand Prix of Baltimore headlines this Labor Day weekend and the city is looking for an economic boost.

August 30: Maryland has ended fiscal year 2012 with nearly 230 million dollars more than expected.

August 31: During the inaugural Grand Prix a year ago, restaurant on the east side of the Inner Harbor lost business. But they've got lots of events planned in Little Italy where this year they're rolling out the red carpet for race fans, drivers and customers.

September 4: Another record setting month at BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport as more passengers than ever came through the airport in July.

September 5: The Catholic churches in Baltimore say they need more money to carry out their mission. So now, the Archbishop is asking for help and a lot of it.

September 6: A new airline lands at BWI Thurgood Marshall Airport. Low cost carrier Spirit Airlines made its inaugural flight this morning and the new arrival is a sign that BWI is growing.

September 11: It's not every day another country outsources jobs to the U.S. but it's happened... and the jobs are coming to Maryland.

September 12: New attractions open at Maryland Live Casino as it gets a whole lot bigger. Tonight, a look at the financial impact on the state.

September 13: A 2 million dollar safety upgrade is coming to BWI Marshall Airport.

September 15: The sale of Sparrow Point becomes official and the new owners say they'll reveal their redevelopment plans in a few weeks, giving hope to hundreds of laid off workers.

September 18: Coming together to help the unemployed... that was the theme of a major jobs symposium in Baltimore today.

September 20: A federal court strikes down Baltimore City's decision to cut the pensions of fire and police employees. It's a ruling that could cost the city tens of millions of dollars in an already tight budget.

September 21: Maryland's crab harvest led the nation last year.

September 21: Maryland's unemployment rate jumps again to 7.1 percent.

September 25: The stellar performance of the Orioles is leading to a big bump in O's gear and merchandise being sold both here and around the nation.

LOCAL POLITICAL ISSUES

EYEWITNESS NEWS

July 10: Summer storms make a case for alternative power sources. Governor O'Malley is promoting green energy at the same time he's looking for ways to improve the existing power grid.

July 11: Controversy continues over plans to give city Fire Chief James Clack a contract extension and pay raise. It comes at a time when fire companies are being closed.

July 16: Maryland lawmakers may still be able to reach a consensus that would put expanded gambling on the November ballot. Tonight, a look at what's at stake.

July 23: A call for changes to policy when it comes to severe weather and the Bay Bridge before it's too late. It comes after drivers were trapped on the bridge in that sudden Derecho storm.

July 25: Charging too much for life saving drugs... Representative Elijah Cummings wants to make sure that doesn't happen and today he spoke about it on Capitol Hill. It was University of Maryland Women's Basketball Coach Brenda Frese who alerted him to the problem.

July 26: Governor O'Malley gives state energy advisors 60 days to figure out a plan to improve Maryland's electrical system.

July 27: Members of the General Assembly will cut their vacations short and head back to Annapolis for more of what the Governor calls, the peoples' work. Governor O'Malley has ordered a special session to pass an expanded gambling bill.

July 31: Animal advocates in Maryland may get another chance to fight a ruling that labels pit bulls inherently dangerous. The breed's supporters are hoping for success in next month's special session.

August 2: Marylanders appear to be changing their minds on the state's same sex marriage law.

August 3: Forget about the traffic around a casino... gamble at home. Maryland lawmakers will consider internet gambling when they meet in special session next week.

August 7: It's a war of words between supporters and opponents of expanded gambling. They're spending more than a million dollars to influence the outcome of this week's special session.

August 8: Under a cloud of accusations of backroom deals and underhanded plays, the Maryland General Assembly goes into special session on expanded gambling tomorrow.

August 9: Right now, Governor Martin O'Malley is showing his cards in a special session debating the future of Maryland's casinos.

August 10: Lawmakers in Annapolis are settling in for a long battle over gambling in Maryland. A vote should be taking place any minute.

August 11: A change is in the making for all Maryland dog owners. The state senate has given preliminary approval to a new dog bite law.

August 13: The Maryland House of Delegates is wrestling with the Governor's plan to expand gambling in Maryland and there's a lot at stake.

August 14: Pit bosses and pit bulls... the high stakes debate on both continues in Annapolis right now.

August 15: It's not a sure bet yet, but now Maryland voters will decide if gambling will come to every county but Montgomery.

August 17: Maryland may not get a lot of national attention in the presidential election, but the state's plate is full when it comes to ballot issues... and lots of money will be spent getting your vote.

August 19: Some students at the University of Maryland want Chick-Fil-A restaurant near the College Park campus gone for good.

August 19: Looming budget cuts to the Federal Aviation Administration could drastically impact air travel in our area.

August 20: The University of Maryland joins a national controversy. Hundreds of students are fighting to remove Chick Fil A from the College Park campus after the president of the fast food chain spoke out against gay marriage.

August 21: The Maryland Court of Appeals upholds its strict liability ruling on owners and landlords of pit bulls. But it issued a reprieve for mix breeds.

August 22: Look for the same sex and traditional marriage campaigns to pick up steam, now that they know how the question will appear on the November ballot.

August 25: The ballot for this November's same-sex marriage referendum is set. Now activists for and against the law are reaching out to sway voters.

August 29: Shelters and pit bull owners say they're now feeling the effects of a controversial ruling that labeled pit bulls as inherently dangerous. Tonight, more on how the law is affecting families.

August 30: Lots of money is being spent to influence Maryland voters for and against a new casino at National Harbor.

September 4: The owner of Maryland's first casino sinks millions into a campaign to defeat the November referendum on expanded gambling.

September 5: Troubling news for Maryland's slots casinos... and the local governments that depend on their revenue as the three casinos earn less money in August than last year.

September 9: A Maryland congressman is in hot water for controversial comments he made about the Holocaust. Roscoe Bartlett said federal student loans are unconstitutional and cited the Holocaust as an example of what happens when a country goes down the wrong path.

September 11: Maryland drivers are racking up millions of dollars in unpaid tolls and leaving the state in debt. Repeat offenders are breezing through toll roads and local leaders say transportation officials aren't doing enough to stop them.

September 12: Tapping into natural gas supplies by fracking has brought promise to energy independence and some say real problems for those who live next door to the process. It's also fueling a push to keep fracking out of Maryland.

September 14: Maryland's same sex marriage debate is gaining national attention, as a high profile fundraiser in New York draws celebrity support.

September 17: A Maryland congressman fears low turnout from minority voters in the upcoming election. Tonight, a look at the confusion and debate surrounding voter identification.

September 18: A new voice enters the race for Maryland's US Senate seat. Rob Sobhani is challenging Democratic incumbent Ben Cardin and he offers a rare alternative to the ruling parties in Maryland.

September 19: Governor Martin O'Malley is teaming up with a Baltimore Raven to raise money to support same sex marriage.

September 20: Maryland's ballot question on expanded gambling is the most expensive campaign in the state. The millions spent on the campaigns for and against it are small potatoes compared to what both sides stand to gain.

September 25: Campaign 2012 comes to Coppin State. The Baltimore university is rocking the vote... a push to get students to register.

September 26: You've seen the campaign ads all over television. Now a new poll shows where voters stand on a referendum to expand the state's gambling.

September 29: Supporters of the state's Dream Act are making a call to action to voters. The measure will be on the November ballot and opponents are rallying their backers too.

September 30: A warning for all drivers. A new law goes into effect tomorrow that may slow you down when you approach a traffic light.

ON TIME

August 26: Documentary filmmaker Maniko Barthelemy explains that her upcoming film, *I Thought It Was Forever*, examines what happens to a married couple when one of them reveals their homosexuality. Her film profiles 7 different diverse couples and explores the emotional impact on the families involved. Marc Gravalles is one of the profiled couples and he explains how he became involved in the documentary which is set to release later in the fall. Maryland voters will tackle the issue of Gay Marriage in a referendum on the November ballot.

HEALTH

EYEWITNESS NEWS

July 1: A smoking ban goes into effect today at several Baltimore County community colleges in an effort to help students lead healthier lives.

July 2: In Healthwatch, a new study suggests the more coffee you drink, the lower your risk of developing the most common type of skin cancer.

July 3: This unusually hot weather is taking its toll with the first heat related deaths this year in Maryland.

July 5: This heat is growing even more intense... and emergency rooms are starting to fill up with patients who are dehydrated or worse.

July 9: The heat wave is over but its effects are proving deadly. Tonight the deaths of 18 Marylanders are being blamed on the hot temperatures.

July 13: In tonight's Healthwatch, a remarkable Maryland girl continues to make great strides despite living with a tough condition commonly known as Brittle Bones.

July 14: Johns Hopkins Hospital welcomes back some of its most precious patients... and it included our own Bernadette Woods and her twin boys.

July 17: Johns Hopkins Hospital is nudged out of the top spot as the nation's top ranked hospital for the first time in 22 years.

July 19: A breakthrough study on the importance of exercise for people with diabetes. Tonight, what Johns Hopkins doctors discovered.

July 24: Spend any time talking with the parents of critically or chronically ill children and at some point they'll tell you how their hearts would be healed if their kid could have a few carefree moments when their condition is not front and center. Today, we'll take you on just such a journey.

July 26: If you're traveling by plane this summer, you might get a souvenir you don't want. Researchers looked at our 40 largest airports to figure out which are most likely to spread disease... BWI came in about the middle of the pack.

July 26: Right now more than 113-thousand people are waiting for organ transplants... a little over 28-thousand will get them. Survivors from across the nation and Maryland will gather to celebrate and compete at the Transplant Games.

July 27: The hot weather continues today with temperature hitting record highs... tonight, the deadly toll this heat is taking across the state.

July 28: Each year hundreds of young athletes die suddenly from heart conditions and many don't even know they're at risk. In Healthwatch, Johns Hopkins cardiologists are trying to prevent that with free screenings today.

July 31: The American Red Cross is pleading for donations... facing a critical shortage in blood supplies here in Maryland.

August 1: As of today the Affordable Health Care Act requires insurance companies to offer women new disease prevention services at no cost.

August 2: With over a hundred thousand people waiting for organ transplants each year and only 30-thousand getting them, the survivors and donor families find every opportunity to celebrate life. Tonight, meet a little girl who recently embarked on an amazing journey of celebration.

August 6: Health officials in our region are issuing a new warning about the Swine Flu at county fairs.

August 8: An increase in the number of swine flu cases has national health leaders urging people to be careful when attending county fairs. At the Howard County fair, officials are taking notice.

August 8: To someday help get people to Mars, a local doctor is helping NASA overcome a big obstacle.

August 10: Maryland records its first case of West Nile Virus this year.

August 13: The policies of several Maryland hospitals are now under review in the wake of a former tech charged with infecting patients with Hepatitis C.

August 14: Breaking it down by fat. A study by the Centers for Disease Control has ranked the 50 states by obesity levels. Tonight, a look at where Maryland weighs in.

August 15: Maryland has another case of West Nile Virus. This is the second case of the mosquito borne illness in the state.

August 16: The CDC warns millions of Americans are living with Hepatitis C and what's more alarming... they don't even know it. Now they are recommending certain people get tested for the disease. Tonight, advice from the Baltimore City Health Department.

August 18: Have you been screened? Prostate cancer screenings took place today leading up to the Great Prostate Challenge.

August 23: Johns Hopkins Hospital is joining another local hospital offering a medical breakthrough. Hopkins just got the green light to perform a face transplant.

August 24: A woman is recovering in Frederick County tonight after she's bitten by a 4-foot long poisonous snake... and she lived to talk about it.

August 29: This summer's record heat is contributing to the death of another Marylander.

August 30: Organizers of the 150th Great Frederick Fair are taking steps to make sure the event is free of the Swine Flu after it was detected in animals at other state fairs.

August 31: An early spring and a hot summer is bringing out the mosquitoes and the West Nile Virus so Baltimore County is starting to spray next week.

September 1: Starting today, a new law will require an important new test for newborns in Maryland. All babies will now be automatically screened for congenital heart disease.

September 3: Baltimore County health workers confirm one case of West Nile Virus. Now, county leaders are taking extra steps to wipe out infected mosquitoes.

September 5: As fears over West Nile Virus grow, the state plans to expand mosquito spraying this month.

September 6: As West Nile virus flares up in Maryland, so do efforts to kill the carrier of the disease. Part of Baltimore County will see spray trucks tonight going after mosquitoes.

September 7: Shock Trauma and the MVA team up to make a dramatic video showing the dangers of distracted driving.

September 9: A new victim comes forward claiming he contracted Hepatitis-C from a traveling hospital worker here in Maryland.

September 9: Prostate Cancer strikes thousands of men every year but going out and getting tested can very well be the difference between life and death. For that reason, WJZ is a proud sponsor of the 6th Annual Great Prostate Cancer Challenge.

September 10: A former lab tech is accused of exposing hundreds of hospital patients in Maryland to Hepatitis-C. Now we're learning the dangers may have started years earlier than investigators first thought.

September 12: The West Nile Virus continues to take a toll here in Maryland. A second person dies from the disease.

September 13: No more guessing about how many calories are in your McDonalds meal. The fast food giant is putting nutritional information where customers can see it.

September 14: A Baltimore City police officer shot in the line of duty 25 years ago, finds himself in another battle to survive. The University of Maryland Medical Center and Gene Cassidy's fellow officers are doing everything in their power to keep him alive.

September 18: As the Ravens season gets underway, the team is making a big push to make the game safer. Today, it unveiled a new campaign for concussion awareness.

September 19: Obesity is on the rise across the nation... but in Maryland the problem is getting worse, faster.

September 20: The University of Maryland School of Medicine says it's received a 5 million dollar grant from the state to create a problem gambling center.

September 21: A history making event takes place at Camden Yards tomorrow... but this one doesn't have anything to do with baseball. It's all about saving lives.

September 22: Much of the action at Oriole Park happens on the diamond, but organizers of a 5K walk/run decided to stick to the outfield. In Healthwatch, hundreds of supporters turned out today to bring attention to the most common form of cancer.

September 23: In Healthwatch, Trader Joe's is recalling its house brand peanut butter, over fears of a possible salmonella contamination.

September 24: Another round of mosquito spraying begins tonight in Baltimore County to prevent the spread of West Nile Virus.

September 25: Health workers in nearby states are checking out medical day spa's... after several people became sick at a clinic here in the Baltimore area.

September 26: Johns Hopkins doctors are once again making history. This time by using a woman's own tissue to build her a new ear.

September 28: A healthier way of living leads to a healthy government grand. Maryland wins a 65 million dollar federal grant, another step forward for Maryland's uninsured.

ON TIME

July 8: Author, fitness and nutritional expert Robert Ferguson explains to Kai Jackson how his program and new book, Diet-Free Life, helps people lose weight by eating the foods they normally consume. His program applies to those who eat at restaurants, fast food burger joints as well as those who prepare their own meals. He explains how combining specific foods can turn every meal into a fat burning meal.

July 15: Kai Jackson talks with Chef Galen Sampson and Gloria Crockett about foods that have cancer prevention compounds. They discuss how many foods are antioxidants and prevent cancer. Gloria Crockett discusses how diet and exercise have been documented to help prevent several types of cancer. Chef Sampson discusses why he is working with the American Cancer Society and uses fresh local organic

ingredients in the foods he serves at The Dogwood Restaurant. He is one of several participating chefs in the American Cancer Society's Taste for Life.

July 15: Gloria Crockett tells Kai Jackson about a historic nationwide cancer prevention study that is currently recruiting healthy residents in Baltimore City and County. She explains how two prior cancer studies discovered the link between cigarette smoking and lung cancer and obesity and cancer. She tells Kai Jackson what the eligibility requirements are and the importance of diversity in study participants.

July 22: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Majid Fotuhi about increasing brain size and memory. Dr. Fotuhi discusses how his Neurology Institute works with patients to improve the health of the brain by changing diet, increasing exercise, eliminating bad behaviors like smoking, etc. He explains how the brain functions and how modified behavior changes can help delay the onset of Alzheimer's disease.

July 22: Prostate Cancer affects 1 in 6 men over their lifetime. Dr. Sanford Siegel and Robert Ginyard tell Kai Jackson why it is important for men – especially African American men – to be screened with a PSA test beginning at age 40. Robert Ginyard discusses how he was diagnosed at age 48 and treated for the disease. Dr. Siegel points out that without the PSA test, more men would die from this disease. They discuss the upcoming free screenings and the Great Prostate Cancer Challenge.

July 22: Juice Diets have become very popular as a means to cleanse the digestive track, lose weight, and transition to healthier eating. Carla Douglin tells Kai Jackson how her website, rawrawlife.com, instructs in proper juicing techniques and offers 101 recipes using fresh fruits, vegetables and spices. Troy Johnson, explains why he began the juice diet and the results he's noticed by eating raw foods.

August 19: Kai Jackson talks with audiologist Dr. Lisa Nelson about hearing loss, prevention tips and improvements to hearing aids. Dr. Nelson discusses how hearing loss increases as we age and how hearing loss can affect income wages.

August 26: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Peter Gaskin and Kimberly Moore about congenital heart disease and its impact on children and adults. They discuss the types, symptoms and treatment options. Funding for research into congenital heart disease comes from the heart walks that the American Heart Association holds in the Greater Baltimore area.

September 2: Founder Sean Hull joins Kai to discuss the mission of The Life & Breath Foundation. An organization established to fund research and development for diagnosing Sarcoidosis. Kai Jackson talks with The Director of the Sarcoidosis Clinic, Dr. David R Moller, about a possible breakthroughs of a non invasive test which would diagnose the illness and the importance of continued funding. Kai is also enlighten about an upcoming benefit" being sponsored by the foundation called The Flip Flop Festivus" .

September 2: Dr. George Capone, Director of the Down Syndrome Clinic at Kennedy Krieger Institute and an advocate for families living with Down Syndrome, shares the rewarding experience of working alongside families with Down Syndrome members. Wayne Malone the father of a Down Syndrome son explains how his efforts to enlighten others led to establishing the BWI Run/Walk. The BWI Run/Walk is now in its 26th year, has become a family participated event.

September 2: Cyclist, Runners and Walkers will all join together to Participate in Hero-Palooza an event to Sponsored by there goes my Hero foundation which provides support to Leukemia patients and their families. Eric Sauer, Chairman and Founder of There Goes My Hero Foundation explains how the organization is determined to provide "hope" to families by providing nutritional meals, recruitment of blood marrow donors and support for groundbreaking research through fundraisers like "Hero Palooza.

September 16: Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Michelle Gourdine and Kathy Rogers about diabetes – the different types, treatment options and prevention tips. They discuss the upcoming fundraising walk that raises awareness and funding for local programs designed identify people with diabetes.

September 23: Dr. Majid Fotuhi tells Kai Jackson about the latest information on the treatment of Alzheimer's released during a recent national conference featuring researchers, medical professionals and non-profit representatives from the Alzheimer's Association. He discusses how a drug being studied in a clinical trial was not successful in slowing the disease in patients with Alzheimer's. His research shows how exercise helps keep the brain healthy and wards off dementia.

September 23: Representatives from the local Alzheimer's Association discuss with Kai Jackson their plans to reach out to the community specifically the African American community through an educational workshop featuring medical seminars, resources for caregivers and support services. They discuss the upcoming fundraising walks that help support their services to the community.

September 23: Representative from Brides Against Breast Cancer discuss how their upcoming Bridal Fashion show event will benefit this national program aimed at educating younger women about breast cancer.

September 30: Kai Jackson discusses breast cancer topics with survivor Barbara Palmer and Gloria Crockett, the state Vice President of the American Cancer Society. They discuss the need for early detection and continued funding for research and programs that help women diagnosed with this disease.

EDUCATION

EYEWITNESS NEWS

July 9: With the rising economic power of China and the continued conflicts in the Middle East, the United States is facing a shortage of people who can speak Arabic and Chinese... but a new program hopes to change that.

July 10: New numbers from the Maryland State Assessment Tests show a slight improvement in the education of Baltimore City students... but there's still a long way to go.

July 12: A proud day for several high school students and the Baltimore chapter of the NAACP as they come home winners in a national event.

July 17: A local teacher continues to recover after an illness that kept her out of the classroom. Now her students are teaching all of us a lesson about determination.

July 18: A university president under fire... staff and faculty at Coppin State in Baltimore launch allegations of mismanagement.

July 25: After a two year study, state school leaders are one step closer to banning zero tolerance policies in all Maryland schools.

July 30: It's a great summer for some young students in Baltimore. They come from all over the area to have fun and learn about food preparation at cooking classes in Fells Point.

August 4: The start of August means it's almost time to head back to school. An event today, organized by Living Hope Ministries prepares kids for the classroom.

August 6: National studies show that those who text and drive are 23 percent more likely to get in a crash. Now school leaders from across the state are getting that message out loud and clear.

August 8: City schools are looking three years into the future at ways to improve the test scores of their students. In Schoolwatch, one way is to make sure their youngest students show up for the first day of kindergarten.

August 10: For some Baltimore students, the path to college starts by reading a map. Admissions officers at the University of Maryland have a new program that shows students how to get into college.

August 14: The first day of school is fast approaching for thousands of Baltimore City students and school leaders are already at work. Today the district's CEO rolled out his plan for a successful year.

August 16: Frederick County is putting more eyes on drivers who don't stop for school buses. The county will be the first in the state to install cameras on buses.

August 17: Many schools open their doors 10 days from now for the start of a new year. Baltimore County's new superintendent rallied the troops today in Towson.

August 18: It's time to shop for school supplies... but thanks to Ravens player Matt Birk some parents are already done with the tedious task. He passed out thousands of school supplies today.

August 20: Summer vacation is over for more than 100-thousand Maryland students. Prince George's County schools opened their doors today.

August 22: US Secretary of Education Arne Duncan visits Baltimore County just days before the start of the new school year. He's here to push a program that could give teachers more respect in the classroom.

August 23: Frederick County schools may relax their restrictions on student cell phone use.

August 25: Fancy dinners on the tax payer dime. Serious questions about spending by Baltimore City school officials.

August 26: Tonight the head of the Baltimore City school system responds to serious questions about spending by school leaders... including fancy dinners on the tax payer dime.

August 27: Thousands of students across the state packed their book bags and headed off for the first day of school today. Some city students started the year off in a new building, while Baltimore County school leaders are trying to relieve overcrowding.

August 28: A challenging first 48 hours as the new superintendent of Baltimore County schools deals with the tragedy at Perry Hall High School. Tonight, how Dallas Dance has been thrust into the spotlight.

August 30: It seems like every national big box store has a sign near the entrance telling us they donate to local charities, causes and projects. Now one company is bringing their money to Baltimore in a school bus.

September 4: Ravens star player Ray Lewis was at Empowerment Academy in West Baltimore today giving away school supplies to needy children as they all head back to class.

September 7: A controversial proposal from a Towson University student is opening up old wounds. A student organization is planning to start a "White Student Union."

September 7: High honors today for ten Maryland schools named national Blue Ribbon Schools.

September 8: No more homework? Sounds like a student's dream, but in one Maryland school it's a reality. Instead, the students are asked to read for 30 minutes every night.

September 11: Local teachers are rallying in support of the Chicago public school walkout.

September 12: Four local colleges receive top honors on the list of top colleges from US News and World Report.

September 13: Census figures show Maryland to be the most affluent state in the country but nearly 10-percent of our population still lives in poverty. Now, a Howard County student is getting warm and free clothing to those in need.

September 14: On this day, 198 years ago, the smoke cleared and Francis Scott Key saw the American flag was still flying at Fort McHenry. Students all over the country are studying what happened here and now they have a new online resource.

September 16: Maryland children prepare to head back to school in just a few hours. Many parents have safety on their minds after recent alarming incidents involving guns and violence at schools and college campuses. Tonight, more on the violence and what's being done about it.

September 17: Baltimore City schools are getting a big boost to their art programs. It's a new grant initiative Charm City has been awarded.

September 19: The future looks a little less daunting for many Baltimore City students. The University of Maryland College Park hosted a special back to school night, helping seniors organize their final year of high school.

September 20: This late season surge by the Orioles is bringing fan fever to a new level. Tonight, how the team is bringing its youngest fans into the excitement with a competition at schools.

September 21: A new survey shows students graduating from colleges and universities in the Baltimore area are more likely to stay and work here instead of moving out of the region.

September 24: Maryland's Dream Act gets the attention of a national convention taking place in downtown Baltimore. Immigrant leaders and advocates from around the country are promoting higher education for undocumented students.

September 25: A big announcement today from the University of Maryland system. It soon will have the new school of public health by joining the forces of its two campuses.

September 26: As a research university, Johns Hopkins is embarking on a multi-million dollar experience inside Baltimore City schools. The aim is a brighter future for students and the country.

September 27: The competition was fierce and the Orioles worked long and hard to choose a winner in its "Go Orange" school challenge. The best school has the most orange spirit.

September 28: Maryland's top jurist, Chief Judge Robert Bell was in the classrooms at Annapolis High School today as part of the Back to School with the History Makers Day.

ON TIME

July 1: Dr. Michael Bina discusses the programs offered to blind and visually impaired students at the Maryland School for the Blind. He tells Kai Jackson how the school provides both academics courses and life skills designed for independent living. The school is in the process of building a new complex that is part of the 159 year old school located in northeast Baltimore.

July 8: Anthony Brown tells Kai Jackson he started the Dream 4 It Foundation as a program to help young people follow their dreams by continuing their education. He explains how the program raises funds through a yearly concert featuring gospel and pop vocalists and corporate sponsors. His program has awarded \$18,000 in scholarships over the last four year.

July 29: The Bluford Drew Jemison S.T.E.M. Academy stresses leadership development at the all male middle school. The school is gradually adding grades and will become a high school next year. Dr. Anne Emery discusses how the school began and the need to have males excel in math, science, engineering

and technology. Student Mati' Baker tells Kai Jackson how the school helped him develop leadership skills that resulted in his election to the student government association at his middle school and now at Poly. Germaine Bolds-Leftridge explains how funds from the upcoming benefit concert will help the school expand their programs.

August 12: Musician Marcus Johnson and Morgan State Alumni Lasava Tidwell tell Kai Jackson about the upcoming benefit concert featuring the Marcus Johnson Project and the Blue Notes from Harold Melvin's famed Philly soul group of the 70's. Proceeds from this annual event are used to purchase books for students who meet financial guidelines.

COMMUNITY

EYEWITNESS NEWS

July 1: One of the reasons for the Orioles' surge may be its new leader and superstar Adam Jones. This morning, Adam tells us his passion for life and for Baltimore goes well beyond the ballpark.

July 2: The Anne Arundel County Council votes to pass emergency legislation that requires public pools to have a defibrillator.

July 3: If you're looking for a place to watch the Inner Harbor fireworks, we have an idea for you. The USS Constellation is hosting a big party and you're invited.

July 3: A first of its kind program in Maryland is using incarcerated war veterans to train service dogs for wounded and disabled veterans. It's a remarkable program that may just change lives in unexpected ways.

July 4: It's one of Baltimore's biggest and best tributes to the USA and the men and women who fight for freedom. Hundreds line the streets to get a good look at the 78th Annual Fourth of July parade in Dundalk.

July 4: Today Marylanders are celebrating our nation's birthday with a day full of cookouts, fireworks and of course parades like this one in Towson.

July 5: If you've been around town the past few weeks you've probably noticed a lot of folks wearing orange and black that's because the Orioles are baseball's surprise team.

July 7: It's an oyster reef unlike any other in Maryland. For the first time, the Chesapeake Bay Foundation has established an oyster habitat that fishermen and residents can reach out and touch.

July 8: The Baltimore Farmers Market and Bazaar is now giving customers another option to pay for produce. Shoppers now don't need cash to purchase farmers market produce.

July 9: On top of days of power outages, now comes an urgent request to conserve water going out to the 1.8 million people tied into Baltimore City's water system.

July 10: Soccer lovers are getting pumped for another big international match, right here in Baltimore. Preparations are already underway for the showdown coming to M&T Bank Stadium.

July 10: Not even halfway through the summer and the Maryland Food Bank is already in dire need of a hot weather essential but it's not food, it's water.

July 11: Baltimore is rich in baseball history and now our city is playing a role in what's being called the most exciting find ever in the history of baseball card collecting.

July 13: Orioles all star Adam Jones is whipping up some tasty treats in the kitchen. The popular slugger took part in some cake decorating today with the winner of the Orioles MASN Fan Challenge.

July 14: Six legendary Orioles - the focus of a season long celebration at Camden Yards. Today thousands of fans cheered for team favorite Hall of Fame pitcher Jim Palmer.

July 14: Governor O'Malley declares today Totally Thoroughbred Horse Show Day in Maryland. It's a look into the lives of race horses after the track.

July 16: Maryland half marathon organizers are getting ready for next year's race... but today they took a break from planning to give a special award that helped raise nearly one million dollars for cancer research.

July 16: The new organizers of Baltimore's Grand Prix promise a bigger and better race than last year even though they face tighter deadlines and financial challenges.

July 17: In just a week, a young Baltimore County woman arrives in London to pursue her own Olympic ambitions. She can run, shoot, fence, swim and ride and she's one of the best in the world. This morning, what drives a local pent athlete to go for the gold.

July 17: The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is welcoming its newest addition, a female Addra Gazelle calf now on exhibit with the rest of the herd.

July 18: Baltimore County's own Michael Phelps says the London Olympics will be his last but first he'll have to face his rival and friend, Ryan Lochte. We caught up with the Olympic duo poolside.

July 18: This month a local barber is featured in Ebony Magazine for his work with the homeless and less fortunate. He's helped thousands of people turn their lives around.

July 19: Thousands of firefighters from around the east coast are arriving in Baltimore for one of the largest public safety conferences in the nation.

July 21: Ravens linebacker Terrell Suggs may be sidelined from the game but not his fans. Hundreds showed up at Poor Boys today hoping to get an autograph from the popular player.

July 22: When given the chance, more than 75 percent of Marylanders say they're more likely to buy produce that is grown by a Maryland farmer. If you're looking for the chance, then the Catonsville Farmers Market is the place to be today.

July 23: One of the biggest stars of the football field has even bigger plans for the city he now calls home. Ray Lewis was at the Reginald F. Lewis Museum tonight representing the UAF or United Athletes Foundation.

July 24: Before football makes a return to M&T Bank Stadium, a major soccer match is being played there this weekend. When the players step foot in the stadium, they'll run on the real thing - grass.

July 24: New details today about the estate of former Governor and Comptroller William Donald Schaefer. Hundreds of thousands of dollars are being given to a Baltimore neighborhood fund.

July 25: It's a big day at the Maryland Zoo in Baltimore thanks to CBS Eco Media, Elephant Insurance Services and WJZ-TV, some new energy efficient lighting has been installed making it a brighter day for the giraffes at the zoo.

July 25: Today's weather conditions are perfect for a famous Eastern Shore summer tradition. Organizers say about 40-thousand visitors watched the 87th Annual Pony Swim today.

July 26: It starts tomorrow and it will last ten days. If you like good food at bargain prices, this is your time of year as all the sizzle of Baltimore Restaurant Week gets underway.

July 26: A new fire station is now open for business in Marley Station as County Executive John Leopold cuts the ribbon.

July 28: A different kind of football was played at M&T Bank Stadium today. More than 42-thousand soccer fans came out for the exhibition between English teams Liverpool and Tottenham.

July 29: Biking in Maryland should get more safe. More than 3-million dollars in grant money is awarded for various projects around the state. Tonight, how Baltimore will use its portion.

July 30: Ravens fans get a preview of what to expect on the football field. Some lucky fans get the VIP treatment and have high hopes for the season ahead.

July 30: The race is on and the roadwork begins. The Grand Prix will take over Baltimore City streets just in time for Labor Day weekend.

July 31: You can run away to the circus without quitting your day job, thanks to some big top fun now underway in Baltimore.

July 31: On any weekend, tens of thousands of athletes will line up and test themselves in triathlons. Now, a group of three athletes is helping one young man make it to the US Tri-Championships.

August 1: Baltimore Police Commissioner Fred Bealefeld says goodbye to his police force today retiring from a 31 year career.

August 2: A rare find now up for sale in Maryland. Baseball cards from 1910 are discovered in Ohio and in just a few hours they'll be auctioned off here in Baltimore.

August 2: If you like steamed crabs you'll want to be in Annapolis tomorrow. Final preparations are underway for a huge charity event - the world's largest crab feast.

August 3: Hundreds of people in Baltimore will have a purple Sunday and it's all for a good cause. They'll take the plunge at Rocky Point in Middle Rive to raise money to help fight pancreatic cancer.

August 4: A very emotional night for Baltimore's star Olympian. Michael Phelps wins gold again for the last time and tonight he talks about his plans for retirement.

August 4: Fans are amped up and ready for the Ravens season to start. Thousands headed to the stadium today for the team's open practice.

August 5: It's been a tough couple months for a charitable man better known as Baltimore's Batman. But tonight, Batman is getting a new toy and he hopes kids will love it.

August 5: A Catholic priest along with his parishioners finish a 100 mile walk from Hancock to Baltimore to promote religious freedom.

August 6: A 30-year old plan to link two parts of Baltimore County is one mile closer to reality today. A new highway opened today but it's not wanted by the immediate neighbors.

August 8: It's hard to believe, but the National Aquarium in Baltimore is 31 years old and you can't have a birthday without a cake.

August 8: How do you celebrate the feats of the world's most decorated Olympian? It's a question that's stumping some Baltimore County leaders working on a plan to honor Michael Phelps.

August 9: Fresh off the farm... soon some Baltimore neighbors will have access to healthy produce grown right in the heart of the city.

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August 9: Big changes are coming to the National Aquarium again. The main open water tank will soon close and a new 12 million dollar shark tank will be put in its place. But before it's drained, we got one last look around.

August 10: Work continues downtown to get ready for the 2012 Grand Prix of Baltimore. Today, a decorated war hero is named grand marshal of the race.

August 10: Though most of us have never experienced it, today marks a unique rite of summer. At the US Naval Academy, today is the end of Plebe Summer and emotions couldn't be higher.

August 11: He was larger than life in the diamond, now Hall of Famer Eddie Murray will stay that way in bronze. He's the latest former Oriole in a long line of players honored in a new tribute this summer.

August 11: More people are visiting Maryland than in recent years as tourism numbers go up.

August 12: The goal to have zero deaths on Maryland's highways is getting a strong push by state police. It's a new initiative aimed at keeping drivers alive.

August 13: 50 years ago a young woman walked into a Towson shoe store and asked for a job. She got it and she's still there... now a familiar face to thousands of Baltimoreans.

August 14: Upset over power outages... As BGE faces criticism over its storm response, the utility takes steps to minimize future outages.

August 15: A dream is becoming reality. Massive crowds of young illegal immigrants gather to sign up for a new program allowing them to stay here for two years.

August 16: Ocean City is bracing for some huge crowds this weekend and it's not just vacationers... fans of extreme sports will be there by the thousands as the Dew Tour hits the beach.

August 16: It's a piece of sports memorabilia on four wheels. Cal Ripken is giving up one of his favorite vehicles to a fan with the highest bid.

August 17: It's one of the biggest community events of the year in Baltimore and it happens this weekend in Little Italy. The Saint Gabriel's Festival is all about food, fun, family and friendship.

August 18: In Little Italy, many came out for good food and entertainment... the Saint Gabriel's Italian Festival is open.

August 18: In just two weeks, the green flag will drop on the Grand Prix of Baltimore. Today we talk with the man responsible for laying the ground work for the race Indy Car racetrack.

August 19: Commemorating the death of a hero in true Scottish form. Members of the Saint Andrew's Society of Baltimore came out to remember William Wallace, a hero in Scottish history.

August 20: For the first time in 15 years, there's real hope the Orioles will make it to the playoffs. Our city is practically holding its breath as the team inches closer with each and every win.

August 21: It's less than two weeks away and plans are speeding ahead for the Grand Prix of Baltimore. Today racing fans got a chance to get behind the wheel of one of the race cars.

August 24: If you lived in Baltimore back in the day, you know that before there was a McDonald's there was Ginos. The popular restaurant owned by Baltimore Colts great Gino Marchetti is back and ready to open a third Baltimore restaurant.

August 24: The Maryland State Fair, also called the 11 best days of summer starts today. More than half a million people visit every year and this year the fair has some new attractions.

August 25: Baltimore is mourning the loss of a beloved restaurant owner... a staple of Canton... Patrick "Sunny" McCusker with a spontaneous vigil tonight.

August 25: The Orioles welcome an all-time great into the O's Hall of Fame. Despite finishing his career with the Yankees, Mike Mussina got a warm reception from the fans at Camden Yards tonight.

August 26: A community divided. The battle to bring a Wegman's supermarket to Owings Mills heats up as a group against the proposal gets some support from homeowners.

August 27: The National Aquarium is welcoming visitors to the Grand Prix of Baltimore with a special limited time offer.

August 28: It started just a year ago and it's become a big hit. The Fells Point Farmers Market is drawing big crowds... and this Saturday there'll be even more to enjoy as part of Grand Prix weekend.

August 29: With the Grand Prix of Baltimore just a few days away, the drivers and their crews are arriving in town. Tonight, we catch up with the only woman in this year's race.

August 29: He was known as the Mayor of Canton, a driving force in the community who was always helping others. More than two thousand people turned out today for the funeral of Sunny McCusker who died Friday in a bicycle accident in Ocean City.

August 30: If you traveled downtown today you know roads are already being closed for the weekend's Grand Prix of Baltimore... and more will be closed later tonight.

August 30: Tomorrow morning, Baltimore moves into the international spotlight as Indy cars roar through the streets. The 2nd Annual Grand Prix is expected to bring prestige and money into Charm City.

August 31: Safe walking 101... It's a new effort from the students at Johns Hopkins University to keep pedestrians safe.

August 31: If you're looking for excitement this Labor Day weekend, we've got just the thing. The 2nd Grand Prix of Baltimore is underway and it's full of fast cars and fun.

September 1: The checkered flag is flying, bringing the spotlight to Baltimore. Racing fans from all over the world are descending on Charm City for the Grand Prix.

September 2: It's day two of the Grand Prix of Baltimore and so far fans say the races are delivering non-stop action. Thousands of fans flocked to Charm City to attend the festival of speed.

September 3: It's become one of the biggest events of its kind in the nation... hundreds of Baltimoreans will lace up their shoes this weekend for the annual Great Prostate Cancer Challenge.

September 4: Ravens fever is already building around Maryland. Today, with less than a week until the home opener, one of the team's star players, Ray Rice, surprises a group of lucky fans.

September 5: Monday, the Ravens kick off their season downtown, but just before that the state is going to celebrate Michael Phelps and Maryland's other Olympians.

September 5: The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is celebrating today. In the past year, nearly 410-thousand people visited the zoo in North Baltimore... up nearly 70-thousand from last year.

September 6: He changed the face of NFL football and brought the game back to Baltimore, a city starving for the sport. The effect of Art Modell's passing is wide-reaching.

September 6: 17 years ago tonight, all eyes were on Baltimore Oriole Cal Ripken Junior as he set a game streak record that still has not been broken. Tonight, he's honored with a new statue at Camden Yards in front of a packed house with Orioles legends looking on.

September 7: A new tennis program bounces into Baltimore incorporating virtual and on-court learning.

September 7: A lot of Marylanders are already wearing their purple tonight as excitement builds for the Ravens season opener against Cincinnati.

September 8: Maryland's Food Bank is celebrating a successful food drive. As part of our continuing community commitment, WJZ, MASN and the Baltimore Orioles presented the Food Bank with a check for more than 20-thousand dollars.

September 8: It's a super sports weekend here in Baltimore. As the Orioles vie for top spot in the American League East, the Ravens kick off their season on Monday. With an Olympic-sized celebration planned, the events are sweeping millions of dollars into Charm City.

September 8: Saying goodbye to Baltimore football legend, Art Modell. Fans pay their respects at M&T Bank Stadium this morning to the man credited with bringing football back to Baltimore.

September 10: The Ravens aren't the only show in town tonight. Maryland honored its Olympians, including Michael Phelps.

September 11: Marylanders turned out in large numbers all over the state today to mark the anniversary of the 9-11 terrorist attacks.

September 12: The next time you walk down the boardwalk in Ocean City, it won't just be people watchers with their eyes on you. The resort town is installing 10 new surveillance cameras on the boards.

September 13: Ray Rice rushes on the football field for the Baltimore Ravens and now he's rushing in to help the merchants of Ellicott City after last month's train derailment hurt businesses.

September 14: Thousands of cars and trucks travel through the Fort McHenry Tunnel every day... but on Sunday runners and walkers will get their chance. The Fort McHenry Tunnel Run raises thousands for a good cause.

September 15: Today marks the official end of the troop surge in Afghanistan. Dozens of members of the Maryland National Guard were honored for their service with a ceremony in Hunt Valley.

September 16: Running underwater... the 4th Annual MDTA Tunnel Run hits Baltimore with hundreds taking part in the race through the Fort McHenry Tunnel.

September 16: Baltimore County is honoring its hometown Olympians with a ceremony slated to take place in an area dedicated to their achievements.

September 17: The Baltimore Orioles are issuing a challenge today to all schools in the state of Maryland. They want them to "Go Orange" to support the Birds.

September 18: Once again, the City That Reads is inviting people to Mount Vernon for the 17th Annual Book Fair. This year marks a major expansion.

September 18: It's called Dining Out for Life and if you don't have plans Thursday night you'll have a chance to help a good cause. It's all about good friends, great food and the Baltimore community coming together.

September 19: Just 2 weeks left in the regular baseball season-- and Orioles fans are delirious with excitement... and a lack of sleep after wild, late night victory.

September 19: People living in one Baltimore County community are counting their blessings tonight. Tuesday's nasty storm caused some flooding, but they know it could have been much worse.

September 20: Yeardeley Love's mother is speaking out against domestic violence, starting the B One for Change campaign and releasing a PSA today.

September 21: A fundraiser this weekend will benefit the victim of the Perry Hall High School shooting.

September 22: Hundreds of boaters gathered today at Hart Millers Island to show support for Daniel Bowory. The Baltimore County teen was shot on the first day of school.

September 23: It's a tailgating party without all the tailpipes. Dozens of electric cars were at the White Marsh Park and Ride as part of a nationwide "Plug In" day.

September 24: The University of Maryland receives a huge grant to help communities keep the Chesapeake Bay clean by managing storm water pollution.

September 25: It's not your typical bridal show. A Fairy Tale Wedding is a benefit for brides against breast cancer and it's held next week here in Baltimore.

September 27: With the return of Fall, look for another kind of unwelcome guest... stinkbugs. This is the season these pests start moving in with us.

September 28: It's been noted that American love their cars, particularly those made when they were kids. Now, a Maryland native is bringing some of the most respected hot rods in the country to Baltimore this weekend.

September 29: Torrey Smith honored his late brother on the football field last weekend and now you can too. A new T-shirt hits stores today that will benefit a scholarship fund in memory of Tevin Jones.

September 29: Plenty of excitement before the Orioles and Red Sox took the field... a tribute to Brooks Robinson, one of the best Orioles in history.

September 30: Runners and walkers lace up for the 26th annual BWI Run/Walk for the Kennedy Krieger Down's Syndrome Clinic.

ON TIME

July 29: Kai Jackson talks with Patricia Cronin from the Family Tree about child sexual abuse, its prevalence and how adults can prevent this from happening. She discusses how the Penn State child sexual abuse case can serve as a catalyst for individuals to discuss this topic and take action.

July 29: The Goaldiggers – the Sankofa Project was created by Meshelle Foreman Shields to help urban teenage girls discover their roots, their ancestors and form a sense of identity that will help them further their education. Students Naikira Johnson and Ashani Skinner talk about the connection they made to their past and how that is helping them with their future plans.

August 5: Kai Jackson talks with members of Tuskegee Airmen and the organizer of the Juneteenth Celebration in Talbot County. The Juneteenth event features a screening of “Double Victory,” a documentary on the role of the Tuskegee Airmen in fighting fascism in Europe and racism at home, followed by a panel discussion with members of the Tuskegee Airmen, in addition to performances by the Sankofa Dance Troupe and others. The airmen share with Kai what it was like to serve in the military during the height of segregation and Jim Crow – prior to President Truman integrating the armed forces.

August 12: The Spirited Women’s Awards honors everyday women who are business leaders that give back to the community. Monyka Berrocosa, founder of My City 4 Her Media started the program to recognize the tremendous contributes women are making and chose the American Red Cross to benefit from the awards program. Honoree Maria Johnson Darby discusses how her position at the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland serves to inspire young girls just beginning their education. Bonnie Stein tells Kai Jackson how the proceeds from this event help the American Red Cross of the Chesapeake continue to respond to crisis situations in the community – from an average of 3 fires a day where families have lost their homes to larger disasters including floods where entire communities are displaced.

August 19: The Interdenominational Church Ushers Association trains young people in particular in the skills needed to be a church usher. Representatives from the Interdenominational organization explain how the group was founded and how they work with all faiths to provide training to ushers.

August 19: Marian House has been providing shelter and counseling to homeless and transitional women and their children for 30 years. Representatives tell Kai Jackson that their program offers help with trauma, addiction, incarceration and mental illness – a comprehensive approach to transitioning women from dependence to independence.

August 26: The Abilities Network focuses on their clients’ abilities not their disabilities in programs designed to foster independence by teaching job and living skills. Representatives from the Abilities Network describe their programs that range from Autism and Epilepsy Services to Project ACT (All Children Together) and Senior Citizens. Their upcoming walk helps to fund programs geared towards self reliance and independence.

September 2: The 2012 Grand Prix of Baltimore will roar through the streets of Baltimore’s Inner Harbor August. 31 – September 2. Tim Mayer, General Manager of the Grand Prix tells Kai Jackson, this year’s race will feature stars and cars of the IZOD Indy car and the American Lemans Series. There is a general admission, and one can also be purchase a pass to see cars and crews up close.

September 9: Gigi Barnett discusses foster care with Donna McCarter and Dr. Murray. Neighbor to Family places foster care children – specifically those with siblings – into foster care homes that keep the siblings together. They work with the families to establish a strong support system and stress the importance of keeping families together. Dr. Murray discusses how her many brothers and sisters were able to rely on one another.

September 9: Hand in Hand representatives tell Gigi Barnett how young males under the age of 18 are put in adult prisons and receive no mental health programs to deal with the trauma that resulted in their incarceration. Jessica Turrall’s program mentors young men while they are in prison and offers them a new path – from job training, mental health counseling, and shelter – upon their release.

September 16: Casey Cares Foundation helps families with terminally ill children with activities to take their minds off of dire medical situations. Founder Casey Baynes tells Kai Jackson about several upcoming events that help fund their local programs.

CONSUMER

EYEWITNESS NEWS

August 10: Maryland’s rate of new foreclosures is now the highest in the nation.

August 11: In response to complaints, Baltimore City is now targeting vacant homes to demolish. Tonight, the success of one community in the Northeast section of the city.

August 12: Wells Fargo Bank settles a multi-million dollar lawsuit alleging mortgage discrimination and Baltimore City will get a big chunk of the money.

August 19: Realtors say they're watching the market one month at a time... but over the last few months they've seen a slight turnaround in Maryland and Baltimore is in the forefront.

August 21: Baltimore police make arrests in a telephone scam targeting the city's elderly. Many victims are taken for thousands of dollars and even assaulted.

August 23: Maryland moves ahead in the Obamacare controversy with a 123 million dollar federal grant for the state's healthcare exchange. Tonight we explain what this means for thousands of Maryland families.

August 26: Just in time for the first day of school, the MTA is coming out with a new fare card called the student transit pass.

August 29: A Baltimore County zoning decision has some residents crying foul. The Council approves a plan that would add retail businesses, including a Wegman's, at the former Solo Cup manufacturing site in Owings Mills.

September 1: Marylanders are expected to hit the roads in higher numbers this Labor Day. Analysts expect a three percent rise in the number of motorists over last year. Tonight, what's fueling the increase.

September 3: This Labor Day holiday is not only seeing high numbers of motorists, but also high prices at the pump. Right now, gas is near a record high.

September 11: We are on the verge of a major change in the fuel efficiency of cars and trucks sold in America. The change will affect all cars and the proof is on display right here in Baltimore.

September 14: Food truck rallies are growing more popular across Baltimore but one neighborhood says, not in our backyard. Little Italy, known for its restaurants, doesn't want the competition and says the food trucks should gather someplace else.

September 22: It's the big debut of the I-Phone 5. Thousands camped out overnight here in Maryland and across the world to get the latest upgrade from Apple.

September 23: Longer outdoor dining in Annapolis could soon be on the way for customers. It's something the mayor is pushing and he's teaming up with restaurants to get it.

September 24: Maryland regulators are considering changing a policy that allows utilities to bill customers for lost revenue during the first 24 hours of a power outage.

September 26: Taxpayers are on the hook for some of embattled Anne Arundel County Executive John Leopold's legal bills. It's already more than 20-thousand dollars and the issue is generating outrage.

September 28: Revenue or safety? That's the question many people caught on city traffic cameras are asking.

ON TIME

August 12: Kai Jackson talks with Comptroller Peter Franchot about the week long program that allows residents to purchase clothing and shoes without paying state sales tax. The comptroller explains how

much money families can save when they do their back to school shopping during this tax free week. He explains that the state loses tax revenue during this week but makes up for it in the weeks to come.

ART & CULTURE

EYEWITNESS NEWS

July 6: The 15th Annual Little Italy Film Festival gets underway and moviegoers will get to see something new this summer.

July 7: Hundreds are fighting the heat to take in this year's African American Festival at M & T Bank Stadium.

July 19: Downtown Baltimore is being taken over by artwork for Artscape. Today local artists and employees from 1-800-Got Junk set up one of dozens of displays.

July 21: Despite the rainy day, a pretty good sized crowd showed up to Artscape. The annual festival is truly Baltimore with something for just about everyone.

July 22: Today marks the final day of Artscape, known as America's largest free arts event. This year performers and fans had to brave gray skies and rainy weather.

August 1: A new exhibit is coming to Baltimore's National Aquarium, it's a 12.5 million dollar renovation of the Wings in the Water exhibit.

August 3: Right now thousands of kids are waking up early and being shuffled off to one kind of summer camp or another. Most center around sports but how about Opera Camp, a camp like you've never seen or heard before.

August 13: It's shaping up to be a banner year for the home of the Star Spangled Banner. The Bicentennial of the War of 1812 is giving a big boost to park attendance.

August 14: She's an avid reader with a passion for writing. At the age of 16 a local student from Reisterstown has already written three novels.

August 17: The 5th annual Baltimore Fashion Week kicks off today with some models practicing their runway struts this morning at the Pikesville Hilton.

August 20: A major milestone today for Baltimore's Afro-American Newspaper. The paper is celebrating its 120th year in print.

August 21: There's some incredible new proof that dinosaurs left their mark right here in Maryland.

August 22: Gymnasts from around the world are here tonight for Baltimore's premiere of Cirque Du Soleil's Dralion. A Maryland native has one of the most crucial roles in the performance.

August 22: A major R & B artist serenades teens in Baltimore tonight. "Mario" joined a panel of celebrities at Mondawmin Mall for the city's first Teen Summit.

September 1: There's a new tasty record making headlines at this year's state fair. Handy International broke its own record for the world's largest crab cake.

September 9: Baltimore's oldest holiday was celebrated today, Defender's Day and the celebration could be heard for miles.

September 12: She's been called the world's greatest living soprano. Renee Fleming will grace the stage with the BSO this weekend for one night to help celebrate a special anniversary as the season kicks off.

September 13: It promises to be one of the biggest music events in the Baltimore area this year and it will happen in a spectacular setting. Preparations are underway for Saturday's Charm City Music Festival.

September 14: Good news for wine lovers... the Maryland Wine Festival this weekend has two new wineries for you to enjoy.

September 15: A night of sweet sounds at the Meyerhoff. The Baltimore Symphony Orchestra performed their gala musical program alongside Renee Fleming, a Grammy winning singer.

September 17: Go to any party and you'll probably find a snack that can be traced back to the Incas. Now, one woman in Crofton has had so much success with her salsa, she's bottling it.

September 20: A 1600 year old document, translated for the first time, has a message that could shake up Christianity. The document reveals that Jesus may have had a wife. Tonight, a local expert weighs in on the debate.

September 22: Celebrating Baltimore's highly-rated drinking water. Hundreds gathered for this year's "Dam Jam" at Cromwell Valley Park.

September 26: Changes for the Edgar Allen Poe House. The row house where the macabre writer lived in the 1830's is shutting its doors and a new museum is planned

September 28: A 28 year old two woman comedy returns to the stage as one of the city's theater companies celebrates a big anniversary. Tonight, more on the Thunder Thighs Review Reunion.

September 28: If you are looking to turn a page, head to the Baltimore Book Festival underway right now in Mount Vernon.

September 29: Celebrating all things Greek! The Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church is hosting its annual Greek Festival.

September 30: The Baltimore Book Festival is wrapping up after luring book lovers to Mount Vernon all weekend.

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July 1: The African American Festival features a variety of entertainment, cultural exhibits, health screenings and activities for the entire family. Event organizer Shelonda Stokes tells Kai Jackson about new elements including a Fashion Alley, Be More Active with basketball competitions and contests for visual artists and vocalists.

July 1: Chautauqua returns to CCBC this July with an emphasis on the War of 1812 and features some of the key players in the bicentennial including Francis Scott Key, President James Madison, Major General Robert Ross, and Mary Pickersgill. Dr. Bill Watson tells Kai Jackson how Chautauqua came about during the middle 1800's. Jill Peters discusses how she prepares for the role of Mary Pickersgill, the seamstress who created the flag that was flown over Ft. McHenry and inspired Francis Scott Key to pen the Star Spangled Banner, that later became the National Anthem in 1913.

July 8: Kai Jackson talks with Kwame Kwei-Armah, the artistic director for CenterStage about the 2012-2013 season where he selected the plays to be produced. The season begins with their 50th Anniversary Celebration featuring a look back at some of their favorite productions and 50 filmed monologues by top writers on the theme of "My America." The recurring theme in all the productions revolves around

“conversation” from brothers in “An Enemy of the People” to Dr. Martin Luther King and the Lorraine Motel maid in “The Mountaintop”.

September 9: The Baltimore County African American Festival is right around the corner and representatives tell Gigi Barnett what is planned at this year’s event. Entertainment and cultural booths highlight this free festival staged adjacent to Towson’s courthouse.

September 16: Everyman Theatre opens its final season in its present location on North Charles Street in the city’s Station North Arts District and transitions to their new home on West Fayette Street in the Westside Arts District in January. Executive Director Vince Lancisi tells Kai Jackson about the productions headlining this season.

September 30: Van Reiner talks to Kai Jackson about two exhibits, “Race: Are We that Different” and “Life Beyond Earth.” He discusses how both of these exhibits can be considered controversial and how that isn’t perceived as negative. They strive to get visitors to the exhibits question what they see, think and feel about a particular subject.

September 30: Free Fall Baltimore features over 300 culturally enriching opportunities to sample dance, literary arts, performances, music, visual arts and more at a variety of venues in the city. Various non-profit organizations participate as a means to reach a broader audience and to increase support for their programs. Dance Baltimore is just one group that features dance workshops and performances during a day-long free dance festival.